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Via e-mail to: Securitygreenpaper@nist.gov

RE: Notification of Intent to Provide Further Input on the Cybersecurity, Innovation, and the Internet Economy Notice of Inquiry (Docket No. 110527305-1303-02)

Dear Mr. Boyens:

The Information Technology Industry Council (ITI) is writing to inform you that we will submit our full comments on the aforementioned Notice of Inquiry (NOI) after the August 1 deadline but no later than August 22, 2011.

ITI is the premiere voice, advocate, and thought leader for the information and communications technology (ICT) industry. ITI's 50 members comprise the world's leading technology companies. As both producers and consumers of cybersecurity products and services, our members have extensive experience working with the U.S. Government—as well as governments around the world—on the critical issue of cybersecurity policy.

ITI commends the Department's Internet Policy Task Force for undertaking the challenging task of developing its "Green Paper," an initial proposal for "a new framework for addressing Internet security issues for companies outside of the orbit of critical infrastructure or key resources." While ITI and its members seek to provide useful and timely answers to the questions included in the Green Paper, we believe more time is needed to provide such input to the range of serious questions that have significant consequences. We intend to pose thoughtful answers to these challenging questions, and we believe that the additional time will allow us to provide the Department with the substantive input it desires.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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